

oxide (TiO₂) film is provided on the surface of at least one optical unit in the projection aligner. Thus, contamination of the projection aligner can be reduced.--.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 1,

Line 15, change "The reason for this is that a" to --A--;

Line 16, change "film," to --film is--;

Line 19, change "effectively" to --in order to--;

Line 20, change "prevents" to --prevent--;

Line 21, after "unit" insert a comma (--,--); and

Line 25, after "to" insert --the use of--, and after "fabricating" insert --high-integration--.

Page 2,

Line 1, after "in" insert --the--;

Line 2, change "to be used from the" to --used, from--, and change "to the" to --light to--;

Line 3, change "for the purpose of fabricating high-integration" to --light.--;

Line 4, delete "devices.";

Line 5, delete "being";
Line 8, after "performed" insert a comma (--,--);
Line 9, after "as" insert --a--;
Line 10, delete "Besides,";
Line 11, change "chemically" to --Chemically--;
Line 19, change "breakdown" to --the breakdown
of--;
Line 20, change "scattered" to --the scattering
of--; and
Line 22, change "vaporized" to --the vaporization
of--.

Page 3,

Line 3, after "light" insert a period (---), and
delete "for exposure. It is pointed out";
Line 4, change "that the substances adhered" to
--Substances adhering--;
Line 7, change "there is a certain tendency" to
--adhesion is more likely to occur in--;
Line 8, change "depending on the environment," to
--certain environments, the--;
Line 13, change "big" to --serious--; and
Line 15, change ", and also is a big" to
--. Contamination also is a serious--.

Page 4,

Line 3, delete "(1-1)";

Line 8, change "(1-2) in" to --In--;

Line 15, change "(1-3) in" to --In--; and

Line 25, change "(1-1), (1-2), or (1-3)" to --the
above aspects--.

Page 5,

Line 7, change the semicolon (";") to a period
(--.--);

Line 8, change "the" (first occurrence) to --The--;

Line 9, change the semicolon (";") to a period
(--.--);

Line 10, change "the" (first occurrence) to
--The--;

Line 12, change the semicolon (";") to a period
(--.--);

Line 13, change "the" (first occurrence) to
--The--;

Line 15, change the semicolon (";") to a period
(--.--);

Line 16, change "the" (first occurrence) to
--The--;

Line 18, change "; and" to a period (---);

Line 19, change "the" to --The--; and

Line 23, delete "(2-1)".

Page 6,

Line 4, change "(2-2) in" to --In--;

Line 12, change "(2-3) in" to --In--; and

Line 22, change "(2-1), (2-2), or (2-3)" to --the
above aspects--.

Page 7,

Line 4, change the semicolon (";") to a period
(--.--);

Line 5, change "the" to --The--;

Line 6, change the semicolon (";") to a period
(--.--);

Line 7, change "the" (first occurrence) to --The--;

Line 9, change the semicolon (";") to a period
(--.--);

Line 10, change "the" (first occurrence) to
--The--;

Line 12, change the semicolon (";") to a period
(--.--);

Line 13, change "the" (first occurrence) to
--The--;

Line 15, change the semicolon (";") to a period
(---.---);

Line 16, change "exposure" to --Exposure--;

Line 17, change "; and" to a period (---.---);

Line 18, change "the" to --The--;

Line 22, delete "(3-1)"; and

Line 24, change "(2-1) through (2-3)" to --the
above aspects--.

Page 8

Line 3, delete "(4-1)";

Line 9, change "(4-2) in" to --In--; and

Line 17, change "(4-3) in" to --In--.

Page 9,

Line 2, change "(4-1), (4-2), or (4-3)" to --the
above aspects--;

Line 9, change the semicolon (";") to a period
(---.---);

Line 10, change "the" to --The--;

Line 11, change the semicolon (";") to a period
(---.---);

Line 12, change "the" to --The--;

Line 14, change the semicolon (";") to a period
(--.--);

Line 15, change "the" to --The--;

Line 16, change the semicolon (";") to a period
(--.--);

Line 17, change "the" to --The--;

Line 19, change the semicolon (";") to a period
(--.--);

Line 20, change "projection" to --Projection--;

Line 23, change "; and" to a period (---.); and

Line 24, change "the" to --The--.

Page 10,

Line 3, delete "(5-1)"; and

Line 6, change "(4-1) through (4-3)" to --the above
aspects--.

Page 11,

Line 24, change ", as" to --in accordance with--.

Page 12

Line 13, delete "as a unit".

Page 13,

Line 2, after "inspects" insert --for--; and

Line 15 change "in response to" to --based on--.

Page 14,

Line 10, change "is effective" to --functions--;

Line 12, change "as" to --of--;

Line 22, delete "the" (first occurrence), and
change "On condition that" to --When--; and

Line 24, after "sufficiently" insert a comma
(--,--).

Page 15,

Line 2, change "at" to --between--;

Line 8, delete "caused", and change "after the
surface" to --the surface after it--;

Line 14, change "at" to --having--;

Line 16, change "constituting" to --in--;

Line 20, after "the" insert --entire--; and

Line 24, change "constituting a" to --in the--.

Page 16,

Line 3, delete "a";

Line 5, change "the" (second occurrence) to
--this--;

Line 6, change "as" to --for--;

Line 17, change "at" to --having--; and

Line 22, after "total" insert --of--.

Page 17,

Line 1, change "constituting a" to --in the--; and

Line 18, change "at" to --having--.

Page 18,

Line 18, change "months'" to --months of--.

Page 19,

Line 17, delete "the".

Page 20,

Line 3, change "at" to --having--;

Line 13, change "constituting a" to --in the--;

Line 17, delete "a"; and

Line 20, change "as" to --for--.

Page 21,

Line 7, change "at" to --having--;

Line 12, after "total" insert --of--; and
Line 17, delete "right".

Page 22,

Line 8, change "at" to --having--; and
Line 19, change "months'" to --months of--.

Page 23,

Line 11, change "months'" to --months of--;
Line 12, delete the comma (",");
Line 13, delete the comma (",") (first occurrence);
Line 15, change "was" to --is--;
Line 16, change "Hereinafter" to --Next--;
Line 18, delete "as an embodiment"; and
Line 25, change "On the other hand" to
--Meanwhile--.

Page 24,

Line 15, change "3" to --4--.

Page 25,

Line 4, after "resist" insert --remaining--.